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REGISTRATION OBTAINED FOR VIRGINIA!

After years of effort, professional registration for landscape architects has been obtained for the Commonwealth of Virginia, according to a report just received from Richmond Section chairman Frederic A. Fay, FASLA.

"I am happy," Mr. Fay's message said, "to report that at a meeting of the Virginia State Board for the Examination and Certification of Architects, Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, held at Natural Bridge (Virginia) on December 1 and after a public hearing held on the proposed regulations, the Board unanimously approved the regulations and registration will become effective on January 1, 1962."

The Virginia action differs from that of other states registered to date in that the implementing document is a set of regulations controlling the application of an existing law, rather than a separate law establishing a board of landscape architects.

The regulations, when finally printed in quantity, will be distributed to ASLA-ers and others interested in Virginia and neighboring states. In them, there will be a provision to the effect that anyone who can prove to the satisfaction of the Board that he was in fact engaged in the practice of landscape architecture for not less than one year before the approval of the regulations (1 Dec 60), may be licensed without examination, upon application and payment of a \$25. fee prior to 1 January 1962. After the latter date, licensing will be only on the basis of fulfilling certain prerequisites and passing a searching examination.

Further information may be obtained from the Virginia State Board for the Examination and Certification of Architects, Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, Department of Professional and Occupational Registration, P.O. Box 1-X, Richmond, Va. (There will be, by the way, a provision for non-resident, temporary permits.)

Congratulations are in order not only to Fred Fay but also to Kenneth Higgins, Meade Palmer, and others of the Richmond Section, Potomac Chapter, who had a hand in bringing about this major step forward.

PHA REVERSES POLICY

According to telephonic communication from Assistant Commissioner for Development Charles L. Levy, the Public Housing Authority is rescinding its Circular 10-18-60 which had, in effect, wiped out the earlier 75 percent restriction on non-collaborating design offices. (See LAND, December 1960)

After a preliminary discussion with HHFA administrator Norman P. Mason, overall co-ordinator for

PHA, FHA, URA, etc., a meeting was set up with PHA Commissioner Bruce Savage for Monday, 28 November. Meanwhile, contacts had been made with representatives of the American Institute of Architects (who disclaimed knowledge of, or responsibility in connection with, the policy change) and the National Society of Professional Engineers (whose building, as it happens, is just across the street from ASLA headquarters).

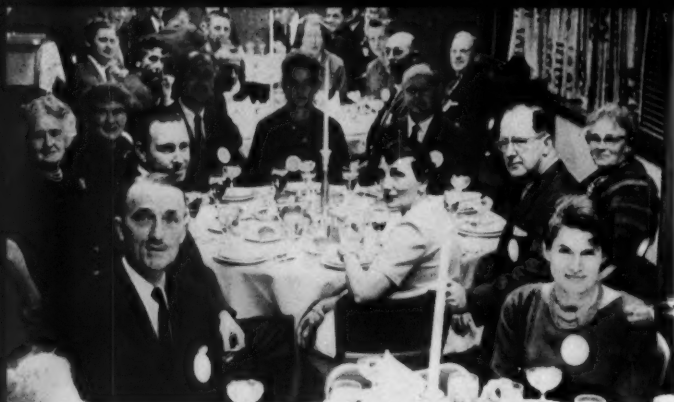
Attending the meeting were: Spencer Sanders, ASLA, chairman of the Subcommittee on Interprofessional Relations, Committee on Professional Service; Dr. Paul Robbins, executive director of the National Society of Professional Engineers; and Lynn Harriss, ASLA executive director. Representing PHA were Commissioner Savage, Assistant Commissioner Levy, and staff members Wiley and Silverman.

The PHA's case rested upon the contention that large offices having both engineers and landscape architects on the staff should not be penalized by the 75 percent reduction. Our contention was that any savings resulting from the centralization, joint overhead and the like in large offices should be passed on to the taxpayer, rather than pocketed by the office and that the welfare of the smaller offices should be considered as well as the larger ones. As may be imagined, many angles of the problem were presented and discussed. Among them was a suggestion by the Commissioner to return to the previous 75 percent restriction, but adding a carefully-controlled waiver provision in cases of demonstrable hardship. This thought was cautiously welcomed, and another meeting was arranged for the following week, same time, same place.

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SHARING GOODWILL over the registration of landscape architects in Virginia are chairman Frederic A. Fay, FASLA, (l.) and secretary John W. Bright, ASLA, of the Richmond Section, Potomac Chapter.



CONNECTICUT CHAPTER'S annual meeting at Hartford was conducted by retiring president Helene Warner (far right, in cape).

PHA (From page 1)

Early in the morning on which the meeting was scheduled, a call was received at ASLA headquarters from Assistant Commissioner Levy, stating that the Commissioner's proposal was in the process of being carried out, and since it appeared to have met our requests, perhaps the meeting was unnecessary?

We wanted to know a bit more and were informed that the new circular proposed would be entitled "Engineering and Landscape Architectural Services." The circular would begin by the announcement of resumption of the 75 percent limitation under the same circumstances as previously but would add:

"The above provision may be revised for any specific contract by waiver to provide that one hundred percent of the applicable fees may be paid where the architect or architectural firm performs any of such services. If proposed, a request for such a waiver must be submitted by the Local Housing Authority to the PHA Regional Office concerned, with adequate supporting justification. The Regional Director is authorized to consider and issue such waivers if justified."

After clearance with Messrs. Sanders and Robins, both of whom expressed satisfaction with the proposed change, the meeting was cancelled. It is realized that waivers can be abused, but felt that a fair compromise was reached. Reports from the field as to how the arrangement works on actual practice will be welcome.

IN MEMORIAM

ARLIE D. BADOUR, ASLA
27 November 1960

HAROLD J. NORTON, ASLA
7 November 1960

MARKLEY STEVENSON, FASLA
2 December 1960

ROBERT O. THOMPSON, FASLA
30 December 1960

moore in seattle finals

The City of Seattle has announced that the team of landscape architect Richard A. Moore (A) and sculptor George Hall has been chosen as one of the five finalists in the city's \$250,000 Civic Center Fountain Competition. As a finalist in the competition, the team will receive an award of \$2000 and an opportunity to compete in the final competition which carries an award of \$5000, final design and construction supervision of the fountain, and fees up to \$15,000.

In making the announcement, a city spokesman said that the five finalists' designs were chosen from those submitted by over 800 designers, artists, architects, and allied artists throughout the world. Some 260 teams from 11 nations submitted designs for the fountain, which is to be installed for the opening of Seattle's "Century 21 Exhibition" in April, 1962.

The jury which selected the five winning designs was composed of Nathaniel A. Owings, FAIA, of San Francisco; Bernard Rosenthal, sculptor, of New York; Garrett Eckbo, ASLA, of South Pasadena, California; and H. Peter Oberlander, professor at the School of Architecture, University of British Columbia, Vancouver.

Paying tribute to Seattle for sponsoring the competition, the jurors said the city is "stepping to the forefront in bringing back the fountain as an essential, though non-functional, project of design, thus adding to the permanent beauty of the city."

Other winning teams in the finalist position include those of Alain Le Normand, architect, and Adam, sculptor, of Paris; Hideki Shimizu and Kazuyuki Matsushita, architects, of Tokyo; Alan Hamilton Rider, architect, and Glen Michels, sculptor, of Birmingham, Michigan; and W. Byron Ireland and Rostislav George Spacek, architects, also of Birmingham.

Mr. Moore, Associate of the American Society of Landscape Architects since 1958, is a graduate of the University of Missouri and received his M.L.A. from the University of Oregon in 1957. He is currently teaching with the landscape architectural staff at the California State Polytechnic College in Pomona.

williamsburg names parker

Donald H. Parker, ASLA, has been named to succeed the late Alden Hopkins, FASLA, as landscape architect of Colonial Williamsburg (Virginia). A veteran of over eleven years with the restoration project, Mr. Parker had served for the past six years as assistant landscape architect in Williamsburg.



A native of Boston, Mr. Parker is a graduate of the University of Massachusetts from which he holds both bachelor of science and bachelor of landscape architecture degrees. According to Carlisle H. Humelsine, president of Colonial Williamsburg, the appointment is effective 1 December.

new curriculum

The University of Washington Board of Regents has recently authorized the College of Architecture and Urban Planning to offer the degree of Bachelor of Landscape Architecture as one of three environmental disciplines within the general field of architecture.

For many years, degrees have been offered in architecture and in urban planning, the other two disciplines. Located in Seattle, the College will now be able to provide complete professional training in environment design, according to an announcement from the dean of the College, Prof. Arthur P. Herrman.

The landscape architecture curriculum will require a five-year training program, similar in structure to the requirements for degrees in architecture or urban planning. The first two years will be devoted to general education and basic approaches to design. The last three years will lead to specialization in landscape architecture.

hither and yon

• The California Council of Landscape Architects, gathered for its sixth annual convention at the Mission Inn in Riverside last 30 October, introduced its newly elected officers for 1961. Named president of CCLA was Sam W. Bridgers (M) of Van Nuys; vice-president, Arthur L. Ogilvie of East Palo Alto; and executive secretary, C. Mason Whitney (M) of Berkeley.

Named by CCLA to serve as directors were Joseph H. Linesch of Culver City; Earl Peterson (M) of Los Angeles; Alan Ribera (A) of El Cerrito; Daniel J. Rolfs of San Francisco; R. Bruce Shaffer (M) of San Francisco; Richard B. Taylor (M) of Santa Barbara; Laura E. Wilson (M) of Sausalito; and Richard Wilson of San Diego.

• Schuyler Reid Hafely (M) of the Northern California Chapter was among a distinguished group of Californians on hand for ceremonies marking the opening of the Modesto Children's Park on July 30, 1960. Designed by Mr. Hafely as a model children's recreation area, the park was made possible by three years of fund raising, planning, and building by local service organizations, clubs, and individuals.

• Eunice Cottrell Brandt (M) was named chairman of the Parks Committee, Citizens' Conference for Governmental Cooperation, in the Salem, Oregon area, according to word recently received at ASLA national headquarters. To meet the "Web of Government" and the "Urban Sprawl", the Conference has embarked upon a MASSIVE COOPERATION PROGRAM which has already resulted in the establishment of a Regional Park Program.

• Department of Typographical Retractions: Our caption under the photo of Garrett Eckbo and students on page 2 of last month's LAND erroneously stated that the special 1960 Summer Session in Advanced Landscape Design was held at the University of Michigan. The caption should have read "Michigan State University." Our apologies to both institutions!



HEAD TABLE AT CHICAGO CHAPTER ANNUAL MEETING: (Seated, from left) trustee and Mrs. Arthur Fitzgerald; retiring president and Mrs. Norman Wilson; Mrs. Samuel, Mrs. Wickstead, Beatrice Horneman. (Standing from left) Visiting speaker Lynn Harriss; Walter Keith; trustee-elect Clarence Hammond; secretary-treasurer-elect Robert Mikula; vice-president-elect William Ned Samuel; president-elect George Wickstead; and past-president Edward (Larry) Packard.

• Grady Clay, executive editor of LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE magazine and Real Estate-Building editor for the Louisville COURIER-JOURNAL, has been chosen to become an honorary member of the American Institute of Architects. According to the AIA's announcement, Mr. Clay will receive the honorary title at the organization's annual convention in Philadelphia 24-28 April. Mr. Clay was among six Americans outside the organization's ranks cited for "distinguished service either to the profession or to allied arts and sciences." Only last spring, the AIA had awarded Mr. Clay one of two top prizes in its 7th Annual Journalism Awards Competition for his article, "Metropolis Regained", in HORIZON magazine.

• Community Planning Associates, Inc., of 1241 Parkway Avenue, West Trenton, New Jersey, has announced a change in the firm's name to Herbert H. Smith Associates, effective 1 December. Gordon G. Geis (A), executive director of the organization, said that the firm will continue to offer professional consultation in urban planning, land economics, and development design. No changes in staff are contemplated.

• On the ASLA mailing list, there are a few names and addresses that are too long to fit into the 21-space, 3-line size to which we are limited by present machine addressing methods. In such cases, we have had to perform a Procrustean job of amputation or condensation to fit the space. If yours be one of these, please bear with us, taking whatever satisfaction there may be in assisting modern "space" technology.

calendar

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| 14 | Hollywood, California: Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel. CCLA Board Meeting. 10 am. |
| 28 | Washington, D.C.: National Housing Center, 1625 L Street, N.W. Pro Forma Annual Meeting, ASLA. 7:30 pm. |
| 7 | New York City: Architectural League, 115 East 40th St. Dinner Meeting, New York Chapter, ASLA. |
| 10-13 | Boulder, Colorado: Harvest House. 62nd ASLA Annual Meeting. |

division of responsibility

A new edition of Division of Responsibility Among the Design Professions--A Guide for Collaboration has been under study for some time by the Engineers Joint Council-American Institute of Architects Joint Committee. It came to the attention of the ASLA Field Office in Washington last spring, at which time Spencer E. Sanders, ASLA, chairman of the Subcommittee on Interprofessional relations of the Committee on Professional Service was selected as our representative.

While ASLA was not in at the inception of this work, we are currently listed as collaborators along with the American Institute of Planners in the final preparation of this guide. Several drafts have been examined, revised and re-revised under the leadership of Henry A. Naylor, Jr. of Baltimore, ASME, chairman of the EJC/AIA subcommittee. An all day session was held early in August at Naylor's office, with representatives from the several professions involved. The eventual result, it is hoped, will be mutually satisfactory and fair to all cooperating groups.

Existing version of the guide was prepared under the supervision of the Joint Committee of the Design Professions whose stated purpose, when started in 1950, was "to resolve differences in opinion as to the proper scope of professional activity of each group concerned with the design of a given project."

ASLA representative at that time was the late A. D. Taylor, FASLA, succeeded by Russell H. Riley, FASLA, who, with representatives from the American

Institute of Architects, the American Society of Civil Engineers, and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, brought the work to publication in 1953. Roy F. Larson, FAIA, was chairman of the Executive Committee. Representatives of the American Institute of Planners assisted in the preparation of the final draft.

new handbook ready

The Urban Land Institute has announced that a revised edition of its Community Builders Handbook is now available. The new edition, with over 500 pages and 107 illustrations, is published as a standard reference work on the planning and design of residential, community, and shopping center developments, motels, marinas, golf course sub-divisions, and industrial parks. Copies may be ordered direct from the ULI at 1200 18th St., N.W., Washington 6, D.C. Price \$10 to ULI members, \$15 to non-members.

on the registration front

Pennsylvania Chapter laid final plans for introduction of their bill for professional registration during the annual meeting in Philadelphia, 2-3 December. Chairman of the Committee is Oliver Fanning, with members Eugene DeSilets (retiring president of the Chapter), Robert Pierson, Clifton Rodgers, Jennings Stright, and Robert Templeton, president-elect. Under the guidance of attorney David Reece, the bill will be introduced early in the 1961 legislative session.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

ALABAMA, Mobile: Landscape Architect or city planner to assist in land planning. Qual.: Min. 3 yrs. college training in city planning or l.a. Potential for share in practice. Salary: Open. Write to: Robert S. Bateman & Associates, P.O. Box 6431, Mobile.

CONNECTICUT, Hartford: Senior Planner. Qual.: Degree in city planning, l.a., arch., c.e., economics or sociology, plus grad. study in city planning and 2 yrs. exp. in research and analysis or equiv. comb. training and exp. Salary: \$5356 - 6448. Write to: Charles F. Yard, Personnel Dept., 550 Main St., Hartford.

CONNECTICUT, New Haven: Planner (Design) to assist in preparation of urban renewal plans. Qual.: Master's degree in planning or degree in arch. or l.a., plus one year planning or urban renewal exp. Salary: \$5844-7059. Write to: L. Thomas Appleby, Exec. Dir., New Haven Redevelopment Agency, 177 Church St., New Haven.

FLORIDA, Ft. Lauderdale: Senior Planner for Broward Co. Qual.: Degree in planning, arch., l.a., or c.e., plus 4 yrs. exp. in comprehensive planning of which 2 in supervisory capacity. Salary: \$6600-8280. Write to: George F. Emery, Planning Director, Broward Co. Planning Dept., 508 S.E. First Ave., Ft. Lauderdale.

ILLINOIS, Urbana: Landscape Architect for planning and development of University of Illinois campus. Qual.: Degree in l.a. and min. 3 yrs. exp. in landscape planning, design, drafting, and supervision.

Min. age: 25. Salary: \$7200-11,100. Write to: Robert S. Chamberlin, Director, Div. of Campus Development, University of Illinois, Urbana.

NEW YORK, Rochester: Assistant Planner to participate in devel. of comprehensive planning. Qual.: Master's degree in planning plus one year co. or town planning exp. or bachelor's degree in c.e., l.a., or related field, plus two yrs. exp. Salary: \$6370-7722. Write to: Floyd F. Walkley, Director, Monroe Co. Planning Council, 613 Commerce Bldg., Rochester.

NEW YORK, Syracuse: Associate Planner to adm. zoning and subdivision referrals and prepare reports for new agency. Qual.: Master's degree in planning, or bachelor's degree in related field, plus two yrs. exp. in planning. Salary: \$5900-6600. Write to: Robert S. Becker, Exec. Sec'y, Onondaga Co. Regional Planning Board, Co. Office Bldg., Syracuse.

OHIO, Canton: Chief Planner to head long-range planning. Qual.: Degree in planning or related field plus five yrs. exp. Salary: \$7500-9000. Write to: James H. Hickey, Dir., Stark Co. Regional Planning Commission, 624 Co. Office Bldg., Canton.

SITUATION WANTED

Landscape architect, aged 35, with exp. in military planning and site devel., seeking position preferably in Washington, D.C. area. M.L.A. from Iowa State, B.S. from Penn State. Write to: Box C, Care of ASLA, 2000 K Street, N.W., Washington 6, D.C.

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